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H. RES. 534

Recognizing the importance and credibility of an independent Iraqi judiciary
in the formation of a new and democratic Iraq.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. BURGESS (for himself, Mr. KING of Iowa, Mr. AKIN, Mr. BOUSTANY, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. CANTOR, Mr. CARTER, Mr. CHOCOLA, Mr. COLE of Oklahoma, Mr. CONAWAY, Mr. CUELLAR, Mr. CULBERSON, Mr. ISSA, Mr. FEENEY, Mr. FRANKS of Arizona, Mr. GALLEGLY, Mr. GINGREY, Mr. AL GREEN of Texas, Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas, Mr. JINDAL, Mr. DANIEL E. LUNGREN of California, Mrs. MUSGRAVE, Mr. PITTS, Mr. RYAN of Wisconsin, Mr. SAXTON, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. SHADEGG, Mr. WESTMORELAND, and Mr. WILSON of South Carolina) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on International Relations

RESOLUTION

Recognizing the importance and credibility of an independent
Iraqi judiciary in the formation of a new and democratic
Iraq.

Whereas the United States is supportive of a sovereign governing body in Iraq, including the current government as well as future duly elected governments and appointed officials;

Whereas Iraq, as do all sovereign nations, has the duty and responsibility to indict, prosecute, and punish criminals within its jurisdiction;

Whereas the Iraqi Special Tribunal holds the sovereign power to prosecute criminals;

Whereas certain accused individuals have allegedly committed egregious crimes against humanity, genocide, and war crimes;

Whereas the people of a free and democratic Iraq deserve justice for the horrific crimes inflicted upon them; and

Whereas the Iraqi Special Tribunal is empaneled to bring swift and impartial justice for the people, victims, and the nation of Iraq: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives fully
- 2 supports an independent Iraqi judiciary and its efforts to
- 3 serve the cause of justice in a free and democratic Iraq.

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